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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

SUBJECT: Photo Working Panel

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The objective of this group shall be to examine existing photography in detail and to explore the following points:

- a. To conduct a detailed examination of photography and the system which produced it in order that:
 - (1) A statistically meaningful quantitative model of the present image quality can be derived.
 - (2) The various factors affecting image quality can be clearly identified and understood.
- b. To combine the data obtained into a system model which satisfactorily represents the observed performance, including the effects of the atmosphere.
- (3) To use the system model derived to examine the possibility for system optimization in order to minimize the effects of the various contributors to image degradation.
- d. To plan such experiments as may be required to gain needed additional insight.

To regommend system or operational improvemen which will significantly improve the

f. To make a careful study of the interaction of the photo interpreters with the film so as to establish a quantitative measure of the significance of stereo coverage, color photography, film contrast and resolution.

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- $h_{\:\raisebox{1pt}{\text{\circle*{1.5}}}}$ To determine the relationship between the various measures of image quality.
- i. To generate an operationally useful objective measure of image quality.

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